

HAVING PRETTY LADIES FOR HOUSE GUESTS

it was 11 a.m. before i
could ever get in there

some days i forgot
entirely

to brush my teeth.

I PUT DOWN WILMA'S BOOK

big crash somewhere
out there
something fell down
i'm only one here
reading in bathtub
startled
hopefully only one here
be hell to defend myself
in the altogether.

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the asparagus
& mushroom sauce
like haiku
upon the rice

a slender red pequin pepper
to make it jump

FOUND POEM, TYPED, FOLDED, STUCK INSIDE USED BORGES BOOK *IN PRAISE OF DARKNESS* I BOUGHT TODAY

1. income tax
2. pay bills, check up at bank on balance and new checks
Dianne Carter, hospitals, others?
3. Robin's stuff
4. drop-add
5. letter to Buz
6. letter to Atlantic Monthly
7. glasses fixed
8. reading for my class—figure out where we stand on that.

—Mark Weber

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